

PERIODICAL LITERATURE.

The Primitive Methodist Quarterly Review, July, 1895, is a credit to the large and growing Church it represents, and gives evidence that in addition to the spiritual aggressiveness of that Church it is worthily represented in higher scholarship and literature. This especially appears in the articles on "Albrecht Ritschl," "Froude's Erasmus," "Progressiveness of Modern Christian Thought," and "The New Synac Codex of the Gospels." Mr. H. Yool, the author of the "Review of Lindsay's Progressiveness of Modern Thought," is conservative in his faith. At the same time, he rejoices that "the mechanical conservatism and blinding traditionalism, which have held truth in bonds and swathed it in unreality, are giving place to sounder methods of verification." The *Review* ill conceals its political bias in the article on "Should the Government Dissolve?" Probably in no communion in England is there more political homogeneity than in the Primitive Methodist Church.

Each number of *The Pulpit* contains a selection of the best sermons from the most gifted preachers of our age. Ministers from nearly all evangelical denominations are contributors. The sermons are rich in thought, beautiful in diction, and are written in an attractive, popular form. A deep, spiritual tone runs through most of them. From the standpoint of John Wesley, they would be all the better if they were less ornate, and more fully enriched with Scripture quotations. Many of them are really eloquent productions. Each number contains eight sermons, printed in full, so that the price is about one cent for each sermon. Those who appreciate sermonic literature will find *The Pulpit* a valuable addition to their library.

The Methodist Review for September-October contains a metaphysical article on "The Speculative Significance of Freedom," by Prof. H. P. Bowne, LL.D., of Boston University; an historical sketch of "Hans Sachs, the Poet of the Reformation," by President Clark of the Theological School, Rome, Italy; a timely paper on "The General Conference as a Working Body," by J. D. Walsh, D.D., of Lexington, Ky.; a theological discussion of the "Salvability of Heretics," by Rev. C. C. Starbuck, of Amherst, Mass.; an economic treatment of "Social and Ethical Significance of Individual Wealth," by G. M. Steele, D.D., of Auburndale, Mass.; a frank presentation of "Methodist Episcopacy in Transition," by Bishop Thoburn, of India; and a study of the plan and purpose of "The Song of Songs," by Rev. W. W. Martin, M.A., of Washington, D.C. "The Arena" and "Itinerant's Club," which correspond to our "Round Table," contain six contributions. Why do not more of our readers avail themselves of our pages to discuss live issues?

The Yale Review. Vol. IV., Nos. 1 and 2. New Haven: Tuttle, Moorehouse & Taylor. \$3.00 per annum. Each of these numbers contains important discussion of various aspects of the great financial question which now engages the attention of the American people. It is scarcely necessary to say that the utterances of the *Yale Review* on these subjects are eminently deserving of attention. "The Quebec Act and the American Revolution" has a direct interest for Canadians, the author concluding that there was nothing in the Act evincing any hostility to the growth and liberties of the other colonies. Other articles of interest are, "Views of Napoleon," "The Western Posts and the British Debts," and "The London Council and Its Work."